Officers Now Cold to Half of "Nice" Girls of Delaware City

FURORE AT DU PONT

Young Women Trying to Do Bit for Democracy Find hear over at the post, however, that after the enlisted men's ball Colonel Harris sent for a list of the guests, and on seeing the same names of girls on that list as on the list for the officers' ball was displeased. But,

By M'LISS

Path Thorny

DELAWARE CITY. Nov. 5.—Four heau-tiful and popular girls of this town went to an officers' ball at Fort du Pont. Four beautiful and popular girls of this town went to an enlisted men's ball at Fort

Thereby hangs a tale which has set this hamiet and neighboring hamlets seeth-ing and frothing as only hamiets adjacent be an army post can seethe and froth and because they feel the climax of the tale has not yet been reached. Delaware City goscan do little else but talk about this

matter. The four girls are:

Miss Ruth Clark, daughter of Mr. and
Mrs. Harry C. Clark. Mr. Clark is the
contractor who constructed most of the
bolldings at the fort. He is regarded as town's wealthiest and most prominent itien and is president of the Board of rade. Mrs. Clark is the acknowledged scial leader, but she doesn't work hard at it, it is said, because she and her daughatr Ruth spend most of the winter at Palm Beach

Palm Beach.

Misses, Margaret and Emma Mulligan, striking brunette beauties, the daughters of P. J. Mulligan, former president of the Delaware City Bank and a member of the Board of Trade.

Miss Bessie O'Neill, one of the prettiest

lleens it has ever been given mortal man o see and friend of the three other girls. According to these girls and other nts, there are in the whole town about eight "nice" girls. These four are a big half of the eight. Ever since they have been old enough to peep coyly from behind fan and make a man's heart go pit-a-pat they have been attending the Thursday night officers' dances at the fort.

Then the war came, and great strapping order to enlist, were sent to the fort, and Jersey militiamen, culled from the best families in the "skeeter" State, were also sarrisoned there. These boys, even as the s themselves, had been used to nice indeed, contrary to statistics gath-by leng-nosed investigators of some these boys actually showed a deand emphatic preference for nice. They didn't see why just because couldn't wear leather leggins and bars on their shoulders they should shun the nice girls.
Four of the probable eight nice girls

were sweet to these lonely, homesick boys, ng their friendship with the officers

We observed what we thought were the army cibics in this matter," Miss Ruth Clark told me, "and I think I know ethics because I have been raised at the post. I seer looked at an enlisted man before this because they did not interest me—a whose ambition was no higher than a month wouldn't interest any girl. But these men, many of them college raduates—I know one who was the prin-dipal of a school—who have given up their areers and comfortable homes to fight for are different. We invited them to our but never when we had invited of-We knew that army discipline was uch that an enlisted man was not to meet his superior socially, and we ebserved all that, not wanting to subject either of them to any humiliation, but it

ENLISTED MEN FORM CLUB on Priday, October 9, about seventy-five cording to the four girls, formed a club ich they called the duPont Coterie Club gave a ball at the fort. It was given the benefit of the Red Cross and the t vice girls who are members of the Red Cross were invited, together with mitable patronesses and chaperones. Four of the nice girls, chaperoned by Mrs. William Reybold, prominent in the Red Cross, went and had the time of their

The ball was an unprecedented success, the four nice girls, who are expert judges of balls by this time, declared. It had more snap and vim and "style" than any officers' ball, they said, for in this day when all kinds of boys have taken up arms to make the world safe for democracy, many enlisted men use their \$50 a month amolument to have their shoes shined or to buy magazines with. Therefore the dec-orations and favors and refreshments were all that they should have been. The ball had tone.

But here the plot thickens.

Mrs. Charles Jefferson, chairman of the
War Council of Delaware City, and as such
ordained to be the friend sin need of the
salisted men, and her daughter Louise, and the other nice girls, whom I have not named, ignored their invitations to the en-listed men's ball.

THREE SNUBBED BY OFFICERS On the following Thursday the officers' all was held. Three of the four nice firs who had attended the enlisted men's sall did not receive their customary invi-lations. Miss Ruth Clark, daughter of the sealthy contractor, however, received hers.

Tongues began to wag.

The rumor that petticoat politics had been played gained ground. The girls and ethers were convinced, they said, that they snek, whose petticoats had interfered.

And then Miss Clark did a fine thing. She is a lovely blonde and as fine-spirited as the is pretty. She threw her lot in with the three girls who had not been asked to the officers' balt. She declined her invita-tion.

WOULDN'T BE SNOBBISH

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"I had done exactly the same thing as they," she told me, her eyes shooting fire. I' had entertained enlisted men. I am not saying anything against the officers. Some of them are sweet boys, too, but the anisted men are preparing to lay down their lives, also. I do not see why we should be snobbish in this matter.

"All of us have gone to the officers' ball all of our lives," she continued, "but when my three friends were snubbed after the sellated men's ball, to which I had gone lie, I couldn't see why I was not also mobbed. It doesn't make very much difference to me—I am going South in a few sinks—but it's the sort of thing I hate to be creep into our community. It's the sort of thing I hate to be creep into our community. It's the sort of thing I hate to be creep into our community. It's the sort of thing that has never been here before. On payday this town is filled with cheap woman, she said earneatly. "Now suppose all nice girls refuse to go with the nice critical boys; suppose we were so snobbish and so unfriendly as to stop inviting them to the homes; would it be very womanly or my patriotic of us? We have no bars our shoulders, and so long as the boys are our shoulders, and so long as the boys are our shoulders, and so long as the boys are our shoulders, and so long as the boys are our shoulders, and so long freelaces of place, with yawning freelaces and high ceilings. The huge drawing-room, in its waxed floor, its grand pisno and mailtance of "comp" chairs, has been the of many a good time. I was told—which the ceilisted men and the officers on different occasions as army require.

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Tables Full

of Bargains at

## men.\* I am not of the military," she continued with due humility, "I am only a civilian. SAW RUSSIA RUN RED but I understand that." "Do you do anything for the enlisted en?" I asked. MORE THAN TEN DAYS ment' I asked. "Are you comfortable, deat?" she queried. "For the enlisted men? My dear, I love them all—every one of them—but of course I do not know any of them—that is the reason I could not go to the dance that they gave, or permit my daughter to go. Our it vitations came from a perfectly strange man that I'd never heard of before."

BLAME COLONEL HARRIS

ven when there are no officers present?

I asked her.
"I do not," she repfled; "but over across

the way," she pointed to a more or less dilapidated-looking building, "we are pre-paring that house for a little home for

I insinuated that she was being held in

of course, I am only a civilian. I know

Colonel Harris has since been moved from

"I do not know of any official order," he

said in answer to my question, "commanding the officers not to bring to their balls girls

who accent invitations to the enlisted men's

balls; but, perhaps," here he grinned, "the officers decide these things among them-

selves. We gotta get our respect from the men, and if the girls want to go with en-listed men they can."

Lieutenant Weaver wore the uniform of a second lieutenant. He is but recently from an officers' training camp. I was told.

In the meantime, according to Miss Clark,

They tried to make their little world safe for democracy and they are paying such a penalty in heartache and humiliation

And all over the country the "best peo-le," the very best, are receiving the en-

listed men into their homes except at

Delaware City. I suppose if Charlie Taft, son of a former President of the United States, or if Secretary of the Navy Daniels's

on came to the little village on the canal

they'd have to put up at the inadequate

the four nice girls who are being kind to the

MILK 12C A QUART TODAY;

DEALERS BLAME PRODUCER

No Reduction Seen Till Peace-Sup-

plee Denies Wholesale Consoli-

dation Plan

Dealers started charging the increased price for milk today. Twelve cents per quart is the new price and, according to

Philadelphia dealers, there is no possibility

of a reduction in price until after the war. Dealers "passed the buck" and cast the re-sponsibility for the raise onto the shoul-

ders of the producers.
C. Henderson Supplee denied today that all large milk concerns in Philadelphia planned to consolidate, this report naving

planned to consolidate, this report having arisen from the purchase of the business of William Kelly & Co., Twelfth and Pine streets, by Supplee, and the admission that negotiations for the purchase of the busi-

little inns-unless, of course, the homes

the four nice girls are being consistently avoided by the officers.

as only a small village can inflict

FOUR NICE GIRLS AVOIDED

only what I hear."

Raymond, being away.

me measure responsible for the snubbing of the four nice girls.

This she repudiated instantly.

"I am only a civilian," she replied. "I did

"You do not receive them in your home.

Revolution Not Bloodless by Far, Says Dr. Downer, Who Witnessed Upheaval

MANY OFFICERS SLAIN

Hundreds Hanged in Streets-Physician Himself Had Narrow Escape From Mobs

By M'LISS

They have called it a bloodless revolu-ion, speaking of Russia, and marvelous ales have been written of how that country oused itself from the spell of Czarism and n three days became a wide-awake repubbut a man is in Philadelphia who watched Russia run red for more than ten days! During that period he saw more officers killed by the revolutionists than the Germans "did for" in one whole year on the battle front; he watched Russia turn itself inside out; and his vantage point was the palace itself. the post and is in Washington, it was said. At the fort I saw Lieutenant Weaver in the adjutant's office, the commandant, Major

Dr. Earl Bishop Downer, of Lansing.
Mich., is the man. After service in the
American Red Cross Hospital in Serbia,
Ductor Downer was sent to Russia, as an
integral part of the philanthropy of Edwin
Gould, because of his skill in plastic surgery? How he happened to get a royal the palace at Tsarskoye-Selo and some in the parace at Barsaoys-Seio and how he narrowly escaped hanging from a shop sign in the streets of Petrograd are two of the breath-taking experiences that he related to me today and which he will tell at Witherspoon Hall tonight.

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"The women really 'pulled off' the revolution in Bussia," the young surgeon started off, 'and their fight at the beginning was for bread rather than for freedom. Back of it all was the work of Germany, of course. When the officials—all of them in the pay of the Kaiser—began cutting down on the bread and fuel the women began to gather arms. This they did by flirting with the arsenal guards. It was an open secret that there was plenty of arms and ammunition in Petrograd, because the military leaders were not sending any to the front—that

ors were not sending any to the front—that was German work, again.
"It was no blooders revolution. The "It was no blooders revolution. The streets ran red for ten days or more. Everybody who was suspected of being a German was strung up or decapitated right out in the open. There were no court-martials. The women led off, demanding bread; the imperial guards fired on them. The Cossacks demonstrated how widespreathe spirit of the revolution really was. They did the unexpected. Ordered to ride into the spirit of the revolution really was. They did the unexpected. Ordered to ride into the crowds and flay them with bulliwhips, they rode, but they didn't flay. They merely cracked their whips over the heads of the rioting mobs. Gradually one regiment after another came over to the people, are another their officers as they did so. nurdering their officers as they did so Finally almost the entire soldiery was a part of the revolution. In ten days some officers were strung up or slaughtered, Add to this thousands of Germans and suspects, and then call it a bloodless revo ution if you can! You could walk along the streets of Petrograd and bump into the swaying bodies of dead men that were hanging from telegraph poles, shop signs and lamposts. I was mighty near bein one of them myself."

And then the very thin, very pale young urgeon who came through the revolution alive and is here to tell the tale, despite the fact that he looks like a veritable ghost of his former self, went back and told me now he happened to be an eye witness to this most stirring episode in modern his-

negotiations for the party of the mess of another concern, said to be the Wills-Jones-McEwen Company, 1511 North Twenty-sixth street, are pending.

According to Mr. Supplee, no other concerns are included in the deal, the object of which, he said, would be to reduce the "When I got to Russla," he said, "I went immediately to Sturmur, the Premier and even the room of visitors." cost of deliveries.

Minister of Foreign Affairs. He was a German agent, but I didn't know it at the time. He said that Russia did not need me and that I could be of no use in the hospitals because the Russians were unfriendly to American doctors. I was help-less. I spoke of Rumania—that country was not yet in the war—and German propawas not yet in the war—and German propa-gandists were working everywhere. Stur-mer said it would be impossible for me to go. He wouldn't give me a passport. I talked and argued with him and plended to be assigned to a hospital. I told him the great need for plastic surgery—how it

ould make a man over again. I explained bone grafting. " 'Is your work any good for tuberculo of the bone?' he asked me, showing the first

signs of interest.

"I told him that plastic surgery had in many cases cured tuberculosis of the hip."
"He then said that the little Czarevitch had this disease and as a result was dehad this disease and as a result was de-veloping a more and more pronounced limp. He invited me to a conference at which Doctor Bodkin, the Empresa's physician, and General Fedoroff, the Czar's doctor, were present. We decided to operate on the Czarevitch. I was installed in the palace, put into the suite that is reserved for foreign Ministers and had ten servants as-

signed me.

The operation never came off. The revolution interfered. It had been several days in progress, however, before anybody inside the palace learned of it. Tsarskoe Selo is twelve miles from Petrograd and the Czar was kept drunk—he is a drunkard. yway-the entire time the overthrow was

iking place.
"But the Czarina, as a part of her hyporitical scheme, maintained ten war hos itals right at the palace. She also were the garb of the Red Cross nurse, thus seeming to be active in the prosecution of the war against Germany. In reality she had a wireless in her apartment by which she communicated with Berlin every twenty-four hours. It was to these hos-pitals that the wounded generals and high pitals that the wounded generals and light officers whom the revolutionists were killing without trial were brought. Everybody stopped talking English suddenly. I was told nothing, but I got wind of the fact that strange things were happening in Petrograd. I wandered out of the palace one morning early, took a train and went down to the capital. down to the capital.

"The place was wild. Mobs of wome ed, dead bodies everywhere, executions armed, need couler taking place in the middle of streets. I had been in Belgrade when the Germans came. I was calloused to orgy and bloodshed by this time. I walked up to a crowd of soldiers who had just cut off the head of their captain and were about to 'do for' another officer. Before I knew what they were about they had a rope about my head.

"'Americansky,' 'Americansky,' " I pro-Americansky, Americansky - pro-tested, but they thought I was a German. Thank God there was a student among them. He was a noncommissioned officer. He came up and talked with me, found out that I really was an American. They re-moved the rope and told me to beat it— which I did. which I did.

"Russia would have been better in those "Russia would have been better in those days," he said soberly, "with a limited monarchy. Perhaps even yet. Kerensky is not quite the man for Russia at this time. He is patriotic and I do not suspect his frontives, but he has taken the discipline out of the army. Russia needs a military dictator—a Korniloff, maybe, at this time. It is a practical joke. He formerly was in Given carte blanche in the palace, Doctor Given carte blanche in the palace, Doctor Downer had an unlimited opportunity to observe the much-reviled Rasputin and his relations to the empress.

"The man has been called a degenerate, "The man has been called a degenerate.
Doctor Downer said, "but he had nover
got high enough morally to degenerate—
he was bad through and through. He was
a German agent and rose penniless from
the scum of the earth to the high position he held. After he was put to death it was found that he had 10,000,000 rubles.

"One of his duties in the palace was to light all of the tapers before the ikonslittle images of saints kept in every room This gave him access to every part of the palace. Nothing was secret from him, not palace.

### FROG HOLLOW LAMENTS PASSING OF 'PLUNK'

Mournful Chorus Sounds With Philadelphia's Imminent Rejection of Political 'Bunk'

The Rev. Elliot Field, pastor of the Bolton Avenue Presbyterian Church, of Cleve-land, well known in Philadelphia, where until 1814 he was pastor of the Wissa-hickon Presbyterian Church, returned to isit friends in Philadelphia and found the city in the midst of the Fifth Ward political murder scandal. The clergyman, whose father was Thomas Y. Field, at one time commandant of the Philadelphia Navy Yard, thereupon wrote "The Lament of Frog Hollow" for publication in the EVENING LEDGER. Here is the lament:

Oh, list to the plaint of the dolorous frogl

Ker chunk! Ker plunk!
The ugliest sinners in Father Penn's bog,
Ker plunk! Ker chunk!
"Alas and olack! 'Tis a right doleful day
When things stop a going the Frog Hollow
way!

If you ask us the reason we plaintively say: Ker chunk! Ker plunk!

"The city belongs to us Frog Hollow boys-Ker chunk! Ker plunk! So stop all your grumbling and can all your noise!

You're drunk! Dead drunk! We have grown quite expert in the camou flage game, If we do pick your pockets, you boobs, you're to blame!
When you ask us hard questions our answer's the same:

Ker chunk! Ker plunk!

We don't go in politics just for our health Ker chunk! Ker plunk! We're all on the job for a clice of

A chun't Some plank! So why all this furn when we use the big To squeich the Town Meeting? That's welt politik!
We're sadly afraid that old Philly is nick

Of bunk! Plain bunk!

Ker chunk! Ker plunk!"

(November 6 (election day) business of diving out of sight.)

### DRAFTED MAN MISSING

Conscript's Clothes Found on River Bank-May Be Drowned

The police are investigating the case of Max Cohen, of Chester, who is thought to have committed suicide by jumping into the Delaware River through fear of the He was to have left for Camp Meade

His father Peter Cohen, lives at 2008 North Thirty-second street.

### PHOTOPLAY HOUSES OF CITY OFFER VARIED LINE OF ATTRACTIONS

The Alhambra patrons will see the first South Philadelphia presentation of Clara Kimball Young in "Magda" today. In this great play Miss Young does the most retmarkable and at the same time most artistic work as an emotional actress that she has ever done. has ever done.

Beautiful scenes, with snow forming a background, are to be found in "One Hour," which appears at the Imperial for the first two days of this week. Jena Keefe and Alan Hale are the chief players.

This is navy day at the Victoria, where everal officers from League Island will be the guests of the management.

Today marks the first production upon the Bluebird program of Mae Murray's work. She will be shown at the Regent in

Edward Everett Hale's story of "The Man Without a Country" will be on view at the Palace today.

One of the features announced by the management of the Righto for presentation is D. W. Griffith's "Intolerance," which will have its first Germantown presentation on Thursday and Friday, November 15 and 16. It is suggested that patrons have their extra pennies ready for Uncle Sam when they purchase admission for any per-

A new motion-picture magazine calcu-ated to appeal to thoughtful patrons of the films is being published in this city under the name of The Photoplay World. The third issue, now in hand, contains a va-riety of material, both important and inter-esting, as well as intimate pictures and unisual photographs of several score of the lew and established stars of the screen world. It is edited by George W. Downs, se work in photoplay journalism is already well known.

At the Great Northern D. W. Griffiths cinema speciacle, "Intolerance," will have its first North Philadelphia showing tedas. Tuesday and Wednesday. This is the work derful film that crowded the Chestnut St

Gall Kane will appear on Wednesday the Belmont in "A Game of Wita," h latest production.

Carmel Myers, a new star, will make he screen appearance at the Family today. "The Lash of Power."

An interesting study of a physician is given in the character portrayed by Earl Williams in "The Love Doctor," to be shown on Wednesday at the Frankford,

Horsemanship is displayed to advantage in "The Man From Painted Post," which is to be on view at the Collseum the last two days of this week,

A "heavy" as every one knows is a despdyed villain—that is, on the stage or screen
in real life most of them are quite the contrary. Siender Sim Summerville, who is
flow appearing in Paramount-Mack Seuneit
comedies, tips the Fairbanks at exactly
eighty-six pounds and two ounces. He insists on the two ounces. As a guileful
gambler in "Roping Her Romeo," which is to
be at the Fairmount on Tuesday, he plays
poker like an old-timer and wins the entire
fortune of Ben, Turpin, his rival for the
hand of the fair heroine, and Ethel Tears,
as the city girl, makes a decided hit in
many stunning costumes.

An added attraction today will be a Model

An added attraction today will be a Mack ennett comedy at the Cedar

Thursday will be devoted to the showing "Lost in Transit" at the Jumbo

The feature. "The Honor System." will be shown at 2:30 in the afternoon at the Hidge Avenue Theatre today and tomorrow.

#### "GAS AND FLAME" CORPS SEEKS MEN FOR "DRIVE"

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5 .- America's most mantic regiment-the Gas and Flame Service—being organized at Camp American University, in the outskirts of the national capital, needs red-blooded fighting men. Men who enlist now will be leaders in the spring offensive. Expert mechanics and hemical workers are best qualified for this service, and an urgent call for recruits was dispatched today by the army engines rps to all recruiting stations

Men are wanted to direct the "strafing" sheets of liquid fire that burn and blin the enemy and make way for powerful at-tacks. Men also are wanted to loosen the clouds of poison varors and waft them across "No Man's Land" to the enemy

"Men for the 'Gas and Flame' service are urgently needed in France," may the instructions to recruiting officers. "This opportunity should appeal to red-blooded men who previously have felt that they were most needed at home because of their special training and experience. This regi-ment will be required in the field of opera

tions to supervise the American offensive in 'gas and flame' and will be called upor to instruct men all along the front in this Volunteera important work. will be in the thick of the greatest ac-tivities. Men who enlist now will be leaders in the spring offensive."

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